Faculty Senate Public Engagement and Outreach Council (FSPEOC)
AGENDA

April 29 2024

9:00 – 10:15 AM
Via ZOOM

Attendance: Joseph Krupczynski, Sara Whitcomb, Karen Shultz Battistoni, Remy Housley, Sigrid Schmalzer, Giverson Mupambi, Bob Maloy, Julia Jorati, Heidi Bauer-Clapp, Isabel Espinal

I. WELCOME / INTRODUCTIONS

Short/quick members introductions and/or check-ins (as/if needed.)

II. LOGISTICS

a. Review/Approve Minutes from FSPEOC Notes_March 2024.docx
    i. Minutes approved
b. Review Agenda
c. Continue Discussion and Identify/Vote for New Co-chairs for Council
    i. We need a Chair or Chair/Co-Chair for next year. Joseph discussed the roles and responsibilities. Typically, involves communication with the committee (email alerts), organizing schedule/agenda of meetings and setting up zoom links, and taking meeting minutes
    ii. Isabel—perhaps we could recruit a new member, who might also be interested in chairing
    iii. Julia will be on sabbatical, Isabel is applying for a new role in library, Sigrid co-presidency of MSP,

III. DISCUSSION OF CURRENT FSPEOC ACTIVITIES AND INITIATIVES

a. Council Sub-Committees updates:
    - Distinguished Community Engagement Awards Sub-Committee
    - Carnegie Classification Task Force Sub-Committee
    - New Membership Recruitment Sub-Committee
        - New faculty survey for new members came out.
        - Reached out to Computer Science and Engineering
            - followed up with Martin Hunter, who expressed interest from biomedical engineering
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        - Julia's term is expiring but also don't know if there are others from her college that is applying
        - Reached out to UMass Extension
        - Heidi-will reach out to Faculty Senate about previous questions that
        - Joseph—process question—can folks still apply even if the survey date has passed? Joseph will talk to Tony to better understand mechanism/procedures for this.
        - Maybe someone could reach out to Madeline from Library for Librarian role? Isabel—also noted that Theresa Dooley might be a good fit. She will reach out.
    - Community Partnership Sub-Committee (with reflections on 4/5 Springfield Center Event)
        - Sigrid—longer term goal is to identify unit on campus to serve as a host for resources to support community engagement—priorities that have been identified in partnership with community organizations
        - Thank you to Joseph for organizing event with Lydia at Springfield Center on April 5. Panel was "hard-hitting" in critique of Umass Springfield Center and described it as a "fortress." Roundtable discussions were productive conversations. Important conversations were had. Sigrid reached out to groups for feedback. Some of the feedback that Joseph received from survey included more frequent meetings with targeted groups/focus areas, more communication related to upcoming events.

- There is the call for Director of Community Engaged Research for the Center to start in September

IV. **NEW BUSINESS/ISSUES/ANNOUNCEMENT**

a. Sara to Present 22-23 FSPEOC Annual Report at May 2 Faculty Senate Meeting
b. Continue Discussion on DEI/Campus Climate and Institutionalizing Engagement
c. Discuss File/Folder Management Systems
d. Celebrate a busy year for the FSPEOC! One hope for next year.